

July 24, 1980

Dear Qin & Dickie,

Sorry it's taken me so long to write, but I've been so busy in London. Qin writes very descriptively, so I can almost see him there. It must be to go around the park, and to be right in the case of the city. I've been worried to live where I could walk out my door & suddenly be somewhere. I'm hanging out in the sun in the back yard now, & Qin and Tiffany are being flowers. Tiffany in the blue girl who lives across the street, when going to be a wild dog. 24th, and one day comparing the nice weather when it's cloudy or raining. I don't mind. Mike went back to work. D.C. Sunday and day.

It's terribly hot and humid. I have been having so much fun going to Wagner's "Ring". I've gone to the first three operas in Germany, there is one more Friday night, then will go to the house in English next week. I've bought books on Wagner, the story of the "Ring", and a study of the mythology and symbolism behind the myth. It's really fascinating, and is a whole new area about which I know very little. Wagner's operas were a great influence on other forms of art as well. We went over to Little Falls last week and stayed about four days. I really didn't mind the whole time, as Diana is now old enough to not be much trouble. We stopped often along the way.

to either eat or just stretch
our legs. It is really beautiful
over there, with mountains,
trees and agricultural land
in a sweeping view all around
you. When I had fun riding
the horse with her cousin
Annie. I got on the horse once,
but quickly got off him before
he took the first step.

The popayale truck just
stopped by our house playing
its loud music, so Diane
and Tiffney now are eating
their popayales. That's the most
exciting thing in the world
to them - to hear that
truck go by.

Keep writing, we love to hear

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Sieglinde prepares Hunding's draught
for the night

Arthur Rackham (1867-1939)

from *The Rhinegold and The Valkyrie*
(1910) by Richard Wagner

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about what it's like
back there.

Love,

Mary